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"STEELHEART"

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Six Reel Drama

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SYNOPSIS

Canyon Head, to find proof of the death of her
wedding day from New York, has to change at
journey. She is sent to Dorgan's, a disreputable
of "Butch" Dorgan, the proprietor, when Frank
the camp as a devout woman-hater, comes to her
and his companions out of their way, and then
Mrs. Milton's motherly charge. He wins Stecker's,
gratitude when the river rises and Stecker loses his
is watched by Ethel who compliments him and explains
did not run on account of the river washing the bridge out.
against Dorgan, telling him of a bribe Dorgan made him to
of the way, to leave Dorgan free to get the girl. He helps
Stecker a new outfit, and then escorts the girl to Canyon Head. Places
the girl in the chief engineer's and his wife's care, and they start out
to locate the grave. Old Tom Shelly, Frank's partner, leads the two, and
after finding the grave, digs up the proof. Ethel recognizes the trinkets
as belonging to her husband and is satisfied. In Canyon Head, Frank saves
Vera from her mad bear. "Handsome Dick" Colter, monarch of Canyon Head's
underworld, watches the rescue with interest and later sneeringly compliments
Frank. Frank overhears Dorgan and Colter make their evil plans to get Ethel
and Vera in their power, and do away with himself, Baptiste, Vera's lover,
and Old Tom, and holds them up. The quick action of Colter, however, forces
him to take to his heels. Ethel assists at the blowing up of the hill, and
the next day, she and Frank go for a stroll, telling the chief that if they
should be detained, he shall finish the job without them. Ethel accidentally
enters the concrete air chamber, and Frank, follows to bring her out. Dorgan
meanwhile has stayed behind to watch the party, while Colter and the rest,
with Baptiste and Vera leading, had hurried on to the Lost Valley for the
gold. He causes a landslide in the entrance, imprisoning Frank and Ethel.
Finding it useless to try to work their way out in the two remaining minutes,
before the chief will blow up the hill, the two pledge their love for each
other. Old Tom, who had seen Dorgan's action, reports to the chief in time
and the party dig an exit. Rescued, Frank causes Ethel to stick to her word,
and they are married. After the ceremony, Ethel hands over a photo of her
husband to Frank to destroy, and to his horror he recognizes Colter. What
shall he do? He cannot tell her. He confides in Old Tom who confesses that
the trinkets was all there was in the grave. He and Tom plan to go to Lost
Valley without Ethel, but she is so insistent, that he cannot refuse her. The
three start out for the Gold Treasure. On the night of the third day as
they camp on the trail they are attacked by Colter - and Ethel just catches a

glimpse of his face and recognizes him. Frank soothes her fears, pretending that it is only imagination that has played a trick on her. They continue their journey and arrive at Tom's cabin in Lost Valley and take possession. The Indians and their men plan to attack them. Vera overhearing their plans, and Baptiste, tells Baptiste and then rides on to tell Frank. Baptiste fires a warning shot. In the attack that follows, their men are killed, after a fierce battle on the mountain. Victorious, Vera and Baptiste, and Frank and Tom, and happily start back to civilization.

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